

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-5 (Canceled).

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): A write/read head supporting mechanism comprising:

a slider provided with an electromagnetic transducer element or an optical module, and a suspension, wherein said slider is supported on said suspension by a microactuator configured to displace said slider;

an interconnecting pattern connected to said slider including,

a wire for electrical connection to said electromagnetic transducer element or said optical module, and

a grounding wire for electrical connection to said slider; and

said wire and grounding wire of the interconnecting pattern including respectively,

a close-contact wire in close contact with said suspension, and

a floating wire that extends away from said suspension to said slider and is movable and/or deformable in a displacement direction of said slider by said microactuator.

Claims 7-10 (Canceled).

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): A write/read system comprising:

a write/read head supporting mechanism including,

a slider provided with an electromagnetic transducer element or an optical module, and a suspension, wherein said slider is supported ~~an~~ on said suspension by a microactuator configured to displace said slider;

an interconnecting pattern connected to said slider including,
a wire for electrical connection to said electromagnetic transducer element or said optical module, and
a grounding wire for electrical connection to said slider; and
said wire and grounding wire of the interconnecting pattern including respectively,
a close-contact wire in close contact with said suspension; and
a floating wire that extends away from said suspension to said slider and is movable and/or deformable in a displacement direction of said slider by said microactuator.

Claim 12 (Canceled).